## STATE OF MONTANA



## Governor's Proclamation



WHEREAS, modern nursing began with Florence Nightingale near the end of the 19th century; and

WHEREAS, nurses work long hours to bring quality care to patients across Montana, meeting new and different needs or challenges at each shift, and play a critical role in our health care system; and

**WHEREAS**, nurses have especially been on the frontlines of the COVID-19 pandemic, providing compassionate, selfless care to patients, while also putting themselves at risk; and

**WHEREAS,** National Nurses Week was first proclaimed by President Nixon in 1974, and National Nurses Day was proclaimed in 1982 by President Reagan to kick off National Nurses Week;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Greg Gianforte, Governor of the State of Montana, do hereby proclaim May 6, 2021 and May 6-12, 2021 to be

## NURSES DAY and NURSES WEEK

in Montana to honor the hard work and dedication of Montana's men and women in nursing.

GREG GIANFORTE
Governor